

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

Antonio Bridges,

Case No.: 2:20-cv-01857-JAD-VCF

Plaintiff

V.

Black,

## Defendant

## Order Denying Application to Proceed *in Forma Pauperis*

[ECF No. 6]

8 This civil-rights action was dismissed and closed in December 2020 when pro se plaintiff  
9 Antonio Bridges failed to either pay the \$402 filing fee or file an application to proceed *in forma*  
10 *pauperis*.<sup>1</sup> Two months later, Bridges filed a first-amended complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983  
11 and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*.<sup>2</sup> Bridges included this action’s case number in  
12 the caption of his *in forma pauperis* application, so the Clerk of the Court filed the documents in  
13 this action.<sup>3</sup> On May 5, 2021, Bridges sent a letter inquiring about the status of his new action,  
14 explaining why this action had been dismissed, and stating he had filed documents to initiate a  
15 new action.<sup>4</sup>

16 Bridges has not moved to reopen this action and set aside the dismissal order. He does  
17 not argue that his failure to timely file an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this action  
18 was the product of excusable neglect. And I am not satisfied that relief from the dismissal order  
19 is merited on this record.

<sup>1</sup> ECF Nos. 4, 5.

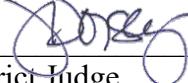
<sup>2</sup> ECF Nos. 6, 6-1.

23||<sup>3</sup> ECF No. 6 at 1.

4 ECF No. 7.

1 It is therefore ordered that the application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (ECF No. 6) is  
2 **DENIED**. If Bridges wants to pursue his claims, he must file a complaint in a **new** action and  
3 either pay the filing fee or properly apply to proceed *in forma pauperis*. And Bridges should not  
4 write the case number for this action in the caption of documents intended for any new action.

5 Dated: October 7, 2022

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7 U.S. District Judge

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